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SUBJ: DISCUSSION WITH NEVILLE KANAKARATNE

1. DURING PRIVATE DISCUSSION AT RESIDENCE JULY 19, NEVILLE KANAKARATNE, FORMER AMBASSADOR TO U.S., REPORTED A PERSONAL DILEMMA RELEVANT TO HIS IMPENDING DISCUSSIONS IN NEW YORK REGARDING POSSIBLE NAMIBIA ASSIGNMENT. HE HAD ALREADY ACCEPTED GSL MINISTER OF FINANCE'S INVITATION TO HEAD NEW DEVELOPMENT BANK, LEGISLATION FOR WHICH SOON TO BE SUBMITTED TO PARLIAMENT BUT NOT LIKELY TO DEMAND HIS ATTENTION SOON. HE CONSIDERES THIS AN INTERESTING ASSIGNMENT AND HAS LONGER RUN UTILITY BUT NAMIBIA TASK MORE FAMILIAR AND CONGENIAL. HE HOPES TO BE ABLE TO FIT IN BOTH. I STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE TO UN (AND USG) OF A SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION IN NAMIBIA.

2. KANAKARATNE LEAVES FOR NEW YORK JULY 25 TO CONSULT WITH WALDHEIM AND MAY WANT TO CONSULT LEONARD OR OTHERS IN USUN REGARDING TIME FRAME AND RELATIVE PRIORITIES.
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